SUBJECT: Cesar Chavez & United Farm Workers et al.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)(P)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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Enclosed herewith are nine copies for Bureau and two copies for San Francisco of letterhead memorandum regarding above captioned matter.

Sources used in enclosed letterhead memorandum ar as follows:

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The following sources were used to document individuals in the letterhead memorandum:

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There are no Bureau approved Appendix Pages for the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee or for the Congress of Racial Equality.

Enclosed letterhead memorandum is classified confidential inasmuch as it contains information from sources of continuing value, dissemination of which might identify these sources and jeopardize their future effectiveness.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California

January 21, 1966

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

A source advised as follows on January 11, 1966:

Since the October, 1965, mass arrests of pickets in the Delano, California, area by the Kern County Sheriff's Office, there have been no disturbances of importance.

On the average there are approximately 40 pickets active in the Delano and adjoining Tulare County, California, area at the present time, during working hours in the vicinity of various farms in those areas. These pickets at time appeared to be attempting to provoke the farm workers in the fields through harassment into attacking them; however, no incidents have occurred to date. Source does not feel that the union organizers and pickets have the best interest of the farm workers at heart, but are merely "dead beats" and "trouble makers". Sixty three civic and church organizations have protested the actions of the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA), but NFWA seems to issue only ultimatums rather than make any reasonable attempts to resolve the problems that exist between the farm owners and the union, or to reach any solution to the problem at hand. With this in mind, source feels it is possible that fights could erupt between farm workers in the fields and pickets at any time in the future.

There appears to be no possibility of an end to the strike in the near future, and no agreements are foreseeable between NFWA and the growers. The future will bring mass picketing of all agricultural areas in the San Joaquin Valley and other California farm locations, in the opinion of the source.

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As of December 1, 1965, Dolores Huerta, NFWA Vice President, was in Los Angeles, California, attempting to set up an NFWA office there. It is also believed that she is, and will be in the future instrumental in organizing boycotts of grapes, grape products, and labor recruiting in California, and possibly other agricultural localities in nearby states.

On December 16, 1965, Walter P. Reuther, Head of the United Auto Workers (UAW), AFL-CIO, met with officials of NFWA and the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee (AWOC) at Delano, California, and spoke before a group of approximately 500 farm workers. Reuther advised the growers and workers to solve their dispute at the earliest possible date. He said an injustice was being done the farm workers in the grape vineyards, and pledged UAW support in the amount of $5,000 per month for as long as it takes to assist the farm workers in organizing, adding that $10,000 would be donated for the month of December, 1965. With this support he feels that the NFWA and AWOC will be able to continue the Delano strike indefinitely.

The two main leaders of the NFWA are Wendy Goepel, who resides at Box 242, Three Rivers, California, and James Lynn Drake, a white male, born December 25, 1937, who resides at 1549 West Olive, Porterville, California, and who is supposedly a minister of the Congregational Church, 30664 Road 64, Visalia, California. Drake has been a member of the Migrant Ministry since 1962, and assisted Cesar Chavez, NFWA Director, in setting up the NFWA.

Harvey Richards, who resides at 14 Flood Circle, Atherton, California, and who drives a 1965 Oldsmobile station wagon, California license S75763, is reportedly a reporter for the "People's World" (PW). Richards appeared in Delano during the last part of September, 1965, or the first part of October, 1965, for approximately four days, taking photographs of the Delano strikers, but has not been seen since. Richards is the photographer who took the photograph of Dolores Huerta that appeared in the October 2, 1965, issue of the PW. Source does not know whether Richards came to Delano on specific request or merely appeared there as a reporter.

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The PW is a West Coast communist newspaper.

Attempted boycotts of grapes and grape products are being made in various parts of California at the present time, and in some instances have been successful. These boycotts have also extended to other states as far away as New York, New York, Washington, D.C., and Chicago, Illinois. Some of the organizations participating in boycott activity are the Student Non Violent Coordinating Committee, the Congress on Racial Equality, and the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS).

> In respect to SDS, it is noted that the Preamble of the SDS Constitution states "Students for a Democratic Society is an association of young people on the left...; one bringing together liberals and radicals, activists and scholars, students and faculty. It feels the urgency to put forth a radical, democratic program counterposed to authoritarian movements both of Communism and the domestic Right."
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> During the 1965 National Convention of the SDS, the Preamble of the Constitution was amended to eliminate "counterposed to authoritarian movements both of Communism and the domestic Right." The SDS is opposed to present American foreign policy in Vietnam.

Although Cesar Chavez, NFWA Director, has stated that grape production was down 30% and that growers are looking more and more for "scabs", the fact is that the 1965 grape crop exceeded all past records, and was harvested without any major labor problems. However, the "El Malcriado", official publication of the NFWA, continued to claim during the harvest season that grapes were turning to raisins on the vines.

Chavez was arrested by the Tulare County, California Sheriff's Office during November, 1965, for illegal use of a loud speaker, has pleaded innocent, but the case is still

pending. Chavez's arrest resulted in his use of a loud speaker from an airplane, and he is presently out on $110 bail.

A second source advised as follows on October 29, 1965, and November 18, 1965:

The Mexican-American Political Association (MAPA) held its quarterly general membership meeting in the "Casa Del Mexicano", 529 South Euclid Street, Los Angeles, on October 17, 1965. The general membership meeting was handled differently, in that there were four topics to be discussed, one of which was "La Huelga" ("The Struggle") referring to the struggle of the NFWA in Delano and vicinity. Ten persons at this meeting attended a panel meeting concerning the NFWA. Two communists who attended the discussion were [redacted] and [redacted]. A report was given on the farm workers' plight in the strike area. After this report, a short discussion was held, and MAPA State President Edwardo Quevedo gave another report on the state-wide activity in this situation. The panel submitted a resolution to be discussed by the general membership that the MAPA organization should submit telegrams to the Governor of California, to the NFWA, to the State Agricultural Chairman, and to the AWOC, to the effect that MAPA should go on record to support the farm workers in their strike, and that the organization would support the struggle both spiritually, morally, and financially. The resolution was adopted unanimously by the general membership.

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A third source advised as follows on November 9, 1965:

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A fourth source advised as follows on November 16, 1965:

On November 7, 1965, [redacted] said she had just returned from Delano where she had gone with [redacted]. She stated that the strikers there were in desperate need of the following items: canned meat, milk, fruit, Mexican food, blankets, and money. She said they also needed a bus to transport the workers to jobs outside of Delano. [redacted] said they also need support, meaning people to come up and picket with them. She said the NFWA was the most progressive of the two unions involved in the strike. She said items collected could be brought to her home at [redacted] said that the Central Du Bois Club, [redacted] would probably take the collection of items on as a project.

[redacted]

The above is the end of information furnished by sources.

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A notice appeared in issue No. 22 of the "El Malcriado" (this publication was not dated) which stated:

> "$1,000 Reward. El Malcriado will pay a cash reward of $1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons referring to the National Farm Workers Association, its leaders and officers, or El Malcriado and its representatives as 'communists' or 'communist-led', 'inspired' or any similar statements. Such references are false and illegal, and we intend to punish anyone saying these things to the full extent of the law."

Issue No. 26 of the "El Malcriado" dated December 22, 1965, stated that there were over 2,000 NFWA dues-paying families, and that an additional 4,000 people have authorized NFWA to act as their bargaining agent. It was also claimed that the NFWA credit union had assets of $28,000, which credit union had assets of only $37 in November, 1963.

This same issue advertised a book called "Huelga" written by Eugene Nelson, which is supposedly a fully documented account of the grape strike in Delano. This book is being sold for $1.50 by the Farm Worker Press, P.O. Box 1060, Delano.

The "Los Angeles Times" newspaper dated December 22, 1965, carried a photograph of actor Steve Allen, who reportedly joined pickets in front of an Encino, California market that were protesting the sale of grapes harvested in the Delano, California, area.

An article in this same paper quoted Delano area grape grower Bruno Dispoto as saying, "AWOC, the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee, and NFWA, the National Farm Workers Association, do not represent our workers. Our workers have rejected them for what they are, perpetrators of hate and

deceit in order to victimize innocent Filipinos and Mexican American groups". This article further stated that Filipinos and Mexican-American workers have a "fine" labor-management relationship and that growers hope these relations will continue "without outside harassment". He added that Delano growers had just harvested the largest grape crop in history, mostly with local workers.

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APPENDIX

CENTRAL LOS ANGELES DU BOIS CLUB
formerly known as the Youth Action
Union and Los Angeles Youth for
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A source advised on March 25, 1965, that during the period January through March, 1962, a series of formation meetings to establish a "Socialist Youth Organization," was held in the Los Angeles area. LEONARD POTASH was acting chairman in charge of the group and PAUL ROSENSTEIN and FRANKLIN ALEXANDER were named to a provisional committee to help organize the new group. On April 3, 1962, the group officially selected the name of Los Angeles Youth for Peace and Socialism, (LAYPS), and elected officers.

A second source advised that POTASH, ROSENSTEIN, and ALEXANDER as of 1963 were all members of the Southern California District Communist Party (SCDCP).

A third source advised on May 12, 1964, that the LAYPS was organized with the full knowledge and assistance of DOROTHY HEALEY, chairman of the SCDCP and that several Communist Party (CP) members had been approved by HEALEY to teach Marxist theory to members of the LAYPS. This source further advised that the LAYPS was to be a Marxist study and action group and that the teachings of KARL MARX were to be followed. Source also advised that although the alleged purpose of the group was to promote "Socialism" in the United States, the group considered themselves to be "Communist Party Orientated" and were anxious to study the brand of Marxism associated with the CPUSA.

The first source above further advised that in June, 1963, LAYPS changed the name of the organization to Youth Action Union (YAU) for two reasons: The first being that it was felt that LAYPS had gained a bad reputation because of its association with CP groups, the second because it was felt the word "Socialism" in the title was driving away possible recruits.

The first elected chairman of the LAYPS and YAU who continued in this position until early 1964, was MARVIN TREIGER, who as of April, 1964, was chairman of the Youth Commission, SCDCP. Since the organization's inception, key officers have been members of the CP.

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The first source above advised that in August, 1964, the YAU affiliated with the W. E. B. Du Bois Clubs of America and adopted the name of Central Los Angeles W. E. B. Du Bois Club. This club continues to operate under the above name.

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Los Angeles, California

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Title	COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, Delano, California
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - C
Reference	Los Angeles memorandum dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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DIRECTOR OF THE FEDERAL BUREA OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON D C

CAN YOU CONFIRM RELIABLE INFORMATIONI HAVE RECEIVED THAT WENDY GOEPLE , WFA 27 ASSOCIATED WITH THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION , DELANO, WAS A DELEGATE TO THE 1958 YOUTH CONFERENCE AT HELSENKI, AND OBTAINED HER PASSPORT VIA THE HAWAIIN ISLANDS. HAS SHE BEEN PUBLICLY IDENTIFIED WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY.

MISS GOEPLE ATTENDED UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA , WAS A WELFARE WORKER AND TEACHER,WAS ON THE PAUL O'ROURKE ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAM, A VISTA WORKER IN THE VISALIA AREA PRIOR TO THE STRIKE.

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IT IS TRUE THAT LUIS MIGUEL VALDEZ MEXICAN MALE ADULT CII 2780823 ASSOCIATED WITH THE SAME ORGANIZATION WAS AMONG

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A GROUP THAT MADE AN UNLAWFUL VISIT TO CUBA IN 1964.

AS YOU ARE AWARE THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION IS INVOLVED IN A STRIKE-CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN THIS CITY INVOLVING THE ORGANIZATION OF FARM WORKERS.

CAN YOU CONFIRM ADDITIONAL REPORTS THAT MODESTO DULEY ITLIONG ALIAS LARRY DULEY (LARRY ITLIONG) FILIPINO MALE ADULT 52 CII RECORD NUMBER 2873902 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AGRICULTURAL WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE AFL-CIO A NATIVE OF THE FILIPINE ISLANDS HAS NOT BEEN PERMITTED TO RETURN THERE BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THAT COUNTRY BECAUSE OF HIS ACTIVITIESIN THE HUK UPRISING.

PLEASE SEND REPLY DIRECTLY TO [redacted] 93215 ZIP

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Delano, California [redacted]

Dear [redacted]

Your telegram of February 23rd has been received.

With respect to your inquiries, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. Therefore, I am certain you will understand why this Bureau is not in a position to furnish you the data you requested.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. [redacted] Farm Workers Association is subject of a current Internal Security - C case. The individual she named appears in Bureau files in connection with the communist infiltration investigation of [redacted]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-0)

SUBJECT: U. S. SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ON MIGRATORY FARM LABOR INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Captioned committee, chaired by Senator HARRISON A. WILLIAMS, JR., Democrat - - New Jersey, and including Senators ROBERT and EDWARD KENNEDY, and Senator GEORGE MURPHY of California, has scheduled hearings in the San Joaquin Valley of California as follows:

[redacted]

March 14, Sacramento

March 15, Visalia

March 16, Delano

These hearings will encompass an examination of farm labor problems, studies of the prolonged Vineyard strike which began in September, 1965, and field trips to inspect housing and sanitation facilities. Both growers and farm workers are expected to testify.

The Bureau has been advised on a continuing basis of the status of the vineyard worker's strike in the Delano, California area (LA file 100-67449, Cominfil of the National Farm Workers Association, Delano, California, 62-0; Buffile 100-444762).

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On the evening of 3/7/66, SA [redacted] Resident Agent at Visalia, Calif., received a telephone call from [redacted] a member of Senator GEORGE MURPHY's staff. [redacted] an acquaintance of SA [redacted] inquired as to the status of the farm worker's strike and indicated he would precede Senator MURPHY to Calif. for the purpose of developing information concerning the strike which would be useful to Senator MURPHY in his interrogation of the committee's witnesses.

In accordance with existing Bureau instructions, [redacted] was advised that the disclosure of any information which the Bureau might possess could only be effected through appropriate liaison at the Seat of Government. [redacted] then stated that contact would be had by Senator MURPHY with appropriate officials at the Seat of Government.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

SAN FRANCISCO (100-55900)

FROM LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

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RE LOS ANGELES AIRTEL MARCH ELEVEN LAST.

[redacted] ADVISED TODAY HE RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, THAT PROTEST MARCH FROM DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, WOULD BEGIN NINE AM, MARCH SEVENTEEN NEXT. FIFTY TO SIXTY MARCHERS WILL BEGIN WITH MORE DELEGATIONS JOINING EN ROUTE. LARGE NUMBER REPORTEDLY TO JOIN MARCH AT MODESTO, CALIFORNIA. MARCH WHICH IS BEING CALLED "TERIGRINACION ROUTE," WILL END ON APRIL TEN NEXT IN SACRAMENTO. HOUSING AND MEAL ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN PLANNED IN VARIOUS HOMES AT NIGHT AND MORNING AND ON THE ROAD DURING THE NOON HOURS.

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CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL AND SHERIFF'S OFFICES IN KERN, FRESNO AND MADERA COUNTIES ALERTED. COMPLETE ITINERARY FURNISHED TO REGION TWO, U.S. ARMY, PASADENA.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449) (P)

RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
Delano, California
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Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau dated 1/21/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

Sources utilized in letterhead memorandum are [redacted]

The letterhead memorandum is classified CONFIDENTIAL since information reported from [redacted] could reasonably result in the identification of a confidential informant of continuing value and compromise the future effectiveness thereof.

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Los Angeles, California
March 9, 1966

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

On February 16, 1966, [redacted] advised as follows:

It had recently come to his attention that the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) had not received the $10,000.00 promised by Walter Reuther, United Auto Workers (UAW), in December, 1965. He said Ceasar Chavez, President of NFWA, publically stated that the NFWA only received $1,000.00 and that the balance of $9,000.00 promised by Reuther, plus the $5,000.00 per month promised for the future, would not be made available until the NFWA had 75 per cent of the farm workers on strike.

He advised that no more than five per cent of the total number of farm workers in the Delano area had been on strike at any given period since September, 1965. He said Chavez had called Reuther a "four-flusher" because of his failure to support the NFWA with funds as previously promised. There are about 100 pickets presently in the Delano area demonstrating in the vicinity of liquor stores in an attempt to boycott Schenley products.

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on March 4, 1966, that [redacted] had recently requested the House Committee on Un-American Activities in Washington, D. C. to investigate the NFWA in Delano.

On March 7, 1966, [redacted] advised as follows:

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DELANO, CALIFORNIA

[redacted] California State Senate Fact Finding Committee on Un-American Activities is now in Delano, conducting a preliminary investigation regarding the Delano strike situation.

A Federal Sub-Committee on migratory farm labor, with offices in Washington, D. C., is scheduled to conduct investigation into the Delano matter starting March 16, 1966.

At the present time, there are no unusual problems in the Delano area. There is still scattered picketing in the farm areas around Delano and adjoining Tulare County, California, with a maximum of approximately 90 pickets at any given time. Picket boycotts of the liquor stores in Delano have now ceased.

On March 5, 1966, NBC Television cameramen, apparently from Los Angeles, California, appeared in Delano. Ceasar Chavez apparently received advanced warning and managed to muster about 200 individuals to put on a picket exhibition for the television crew. It is felt by [redacted] that Chavez must have recruited "anyone that could hold picket sign" to obtain this large a number of pickets. No incidents were reported.

During May, 1966, a large influx of farm laborers will be arriving in Delano to tend the grape vines and information has been received that the NFWA will step-up their efforts to organize these laborers at that time.

There have been no problems with the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee, who unlike the NFWA, seem to adhere to established union rules of conduct.

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, [redacted] advised on March 7, 1966, that he had no information indicating that the CP had moved into the NFWA. He said the CP has not acted directly in fomenting strikes

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by influencing unions, for many years, but that the CP is active in supporting, and is attempting to exploit the present Delano grape strike through various mediums such as the "People's World" (PW), CP fronts and people who are sympathetic toward the CP.

The PW is a west coast communist newspaper.

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Date: 3/11/66

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL-REGISTERED (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449) SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION

RE: COMINFIL,
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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Transmitted herewith for the Bureau are an original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination. Two copies are being furnished to the San Francisco Division, and one copy each is being disseminated locally to Region II, 115th INTC, Pasadena, U. S. Army; U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles; and Secret Service, Los Angeles, California.

The letterhead memorandum is being classified "Confidential" since information furnished by [redacted] who furnished oral information to SA [redacted] on 3/10/66, and [redacted] who furnished oral information to SA [redacted] on 3/11/66, could reasonably result in identification of confidential informants of continuing value and compromise effectiveness thereof.

It should be noted that other than the short article which appeared in the 3/14/66 issue of "Newsweek," a national magazine, on Page 19, under the caption "The Periscope," there has been no local publicity of such a march as described. Informants and sources of the Los Angeles

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Division who are familiar with some of the activities of Congress of Racial Equality, or are acquainted with its leadership, are not as yet aware of any information indicating such a march is under consideration.

The Los Angeles Division has assigned all pertinent informants and sources to continue to follow and report any developments as they occur which might indicate that a march as described in the letterhead memorandum will or will not take place, and the Bureau and interested offices and agencies will be promptly advised.

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SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. Will alert appropriate sources for any information they might have concerning a proposed march from Delano to Sacramento March 18 - April 10, 1966. Information developed should be expeditiously furnished to the Bureau, Los Angeles Division and appropriate agencies in a form suitable for dissemination.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Wick

DATE: 3-10-66

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ORGANIZATION DELANO, CALIFORNIA

On March 9, 1966, [redacted] contacted Bureau Headquarters and requested a representative to stop by to see him. On March 10, 1966, SA [redacted] called on the [redacted]

[redacted] stated the Senate Subcommittee on Migratory Labor, chaired by Senator Harrison A. Williams (D-N. J.) is going to open hearings on Monday, March 14, 1966, in Sacramento, California, into various farm labor activities, including the current National Farm Workers Association strike against grape growers in the Delano, California, area. [redacted] He stated he continues to receive information indicating communist activity and communist influence in this strike operation, and he hopes to get to the bottom of this through the Subcommittee's hearings. He furnished [redacted] the enclosed list of fifty individuals reportedly involved with the strike activity and asked if we would check these individuals and furnish him any information indicating communist association. [redacted] reminded [redacted] that in October, 1965, we furnished him background information on several of the individuals listed. He pointed out that without identifying data, any check on the individuals would be inconclusive. [redacted] then revised his request and asked if we could furnish him on a confidential basis any information we may have indicating communist activity or influence relating to the current farm workers strike in his area. He stated that he will be going to California on Friday, March 11, 1966, and asked that any information we are able to furnish him be supplied to [redacted] who could relay same to him in California.

Our relations with [redacted] have been cordial in the past and we have previously furnished him some data regarding persons involved in the farm workers strike. Our current investigation under the above caption was instituted in October, 1965, based on information furnished by [redacted]

Enclosure

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - Mr. Sullivan
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Source 1, it was [redacted] opinion that CORE would support such a project, but doubted if the organization would actually organize and direct the march as CORE did not feel the Negro people were too involved in such a project since most of the farm workers and grape vineyard tenders were either Mexican-American or Orientals.

On March [redacted], 1966, Source 2 advised a meeting of [redacted] the Southern California District Communist Party was held in Los Angeles on the evening of [redacted] During the course of the meeting, [redacted] Southern California District Communist Party, briefly discussed the fact that plans were under consideration for a march from Delano, California, to Sacramento, California, a distance of some 300 miles, in support of the Delano grape strike. [redacted] pointed out that the "Kennedy Senate Committee" (U. S. Senate Subcommittee on Migratory Farm Labor chaired by Senator Harrison A. Williams, Jr., and including Senators Robert Kennedy, Edward Kennedy and George Murphy) will hold hearings in Delano on March 16, 1966. According to [redacted] it was suggested the march be held after the Senate Committee hearings and to possibly begin on Sunday, April 3, 1966, or Monday, April 4, 1966. [redacted] suggested the march could be started any time after April 1, 1966, which was the start of the Easter vacation, and, in this way, CORE, the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), and all the students could join in the march. [redacted] noted the real question facing the proposed march was the fact that Governor Edmond G. "Pat" Brown, Governor of State of California, was attempting to put pressure on the "Kennedy Senate Committee" hearings not to go to Delano because it might be conducive to starting a riot, and if the "Kennedy Senate Committee" did go to Delano, it would hurt the Governor's chances during the California State Primary on June 7, 1966. [redacted] stated Brown was against the march and was making every effort to muster his forces to stop the march since he felt it was planned for a very poor time. [redacted] reported that James Hoffa would possibly be in the Los Angeles area and efforts would be made to have Hoffa participate in the march in some way.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
March 11, 1966

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The March 14, 1966 issue of "Newsweek," a national magazine, on Page 19, under the caption "The Periscope," reported:

"The Long March
The Longest protest march to date is scheduled for late this month in California. The Congress of Racial Equality has mustered about 50 marchers as the nucleus of a force that will spend from March 18 until April 10 (Easter Sunday) covering the 250 miles from Delano, Calif., to the state capital of Sacramento. (The Selma, Ala., marchers covered 54 miles.) Purpose of the trek is to support the six-months-old grapeworkers' strike in the Delano area."

The following information was furnished by sources who have furnished reliable information in the past:

On March 10, 1966, Source 1 advised he had been in contact with [redacted] Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), Los Angeles, California, and [redacted] did not appear to have any details on the article, which appeared in "Newsweek" magazine March 14, 1966, as to its source or concerning the proposed march. According to

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M. A. Jones to Wick memo
RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ORGANIZATION

This is a limited inquiry which is concerned with determining whether there is communist infiltration of the National Farm Workers Association, the organization which initiated and controls this strike. We have received reports that in [redacted], the Communist Party [redacted] in Los Angeles, met at the home of [redacted] to discuss the farm strike and the role that the communists might have in aiding the strikers. [redacted]

Sources have reported that Harvey Richards, Atherton, California, a reporter for the "Peoples' World," has covered certain portions of the strike activity around Delano, California, and that he took a photograph of Delores Huerta, Vice President of the National Farm Workers Association, which photograph appeared in the October 2, 1965, issue of "Peoples' World." Sources did not know whether Richards came to the Delano area to cover the strike at the specific request of individuals connected with the National Farm Workers Association or merely was their as a reporter.

It was reported in November, 1965, that [redacted] a member of the Central Du Bois Club of Los Angeles, had been in the Delano, California, area in connection with obtaining aid for the striking farmers. She was accompanied by [redacted], who has also been identified as a member of the Central Du Bois Club of Los Angeles. This Club reportedly has made a concerted effort to collect food and clothing for the striking farm workers. It is apparent that there is considerable communist interest in this farm workers strike, but it appears that, at present, the actual communist influence is only marginal at best.

RECOMMENDATION:

That someone in your office confidentially advise [redacted] regarding above information.

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[redacted] also noted that there are many mechanical factors involved in a march of this distance, noting that, for example, portable toilets, shoes, clothing would be needed. [redacted] noted that the march would not have too many participants at its start in Delano, California, but the expectation was that it would grow by the time the marchers reached Fresno, California, particularly if the students were able to participate.

On March 11, 1966, the foregoing was discussed with [redacted] Region II, U. S. Army, 115th INTC, Pasadena, by Special Agent [redacted] Information copies of this memorandum are being furnished to the U. S. Army and Secret Service, Los Angeles, for information and the completion of their files, and also to U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles.

The California Highway Patrol, the Kern County Sheriff's Office (both of Bakersfield, California), and the Delano, California Police Department have been advised of the planned march from Delano to Sacramento, California. The Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office are fully cognizant of the proposed march.

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10:28 PM PST URGENT 3-17-66 KH

TO DIRECTOR 100-444762

FROM LOS ANGELES 100-67449

COMINFIL OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA; IS-C

[redacted]

RE LOS ANGELES AIRTEL TO BUREAU WITH LHM, BOTH DATED MARCH FOURTEEN, LAST.

MARCH GROUP GATHERED AT NFWA HEADQUARTERS, DELANO, CALIFORNIA, AND AT ABOUT NINE AM CONFERRED WITH POLICE OFFICIALS ABOUT SUDDEN CHANGE IN MARCH ROUTE THROUGH CITY OF DELANO. THIS CAUSED DELAY SINCE ORIGINAL PLAN WAS TO GO NORTH OF DOWNTOWN AREA. MARCH BEGAN AT ABOUT TEN THIRTY AM, PROCEEDED THROUGH HEART OF DOWNTOWN DELANO, AND GROUP NOW IN TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA HEADED FOR DUCOR, CALIFORNIA. DELAY WAS ALSO RESULT OF GROUP NOT FILING FOR CITY PARADE PERMIT. MARCH GROUP BEGAN WITH ABOUT ONE HUNDRED PERSONS, ABOUT SEVENTYFIVE PERCENT MEXICAN-AMERICANS OR FILIPINOS, AND REMAINDER ANGLO AMERICANS EXCEPT FOR

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TWO OR THREE NEGROES. GROUP CARRIED NFWA FLAGS AND "HUELGA" SIGNS, SANG AND SHOUTED "HUELGA", BUT WERE PEACEFUL. NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS HAVE OCCURRED.

AFFAIR WAS GIVEN PUBLICITY BY ALL NEWS MEDIA AND WILL PROBABLY RECEIVE NATIONWIDE ATTENTION. CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL, FRESNO AND MERCED COUNTY SO'S AND LOCAL PD'S ALONG LINE OF MARCH ALERTED.

AIRTEL AND LHM FOLLOWS.

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Via AIR MAIL - REGISTERED (Priority)

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FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

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SUBJECT: COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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Re Los Angeles airtel and letterhead memorandum to Director dated 3/11/66 and Los Angeles teletype 3/14/66.

Transmitted herewith for the Bureau are an original and 7 copies of a LHM suitable for dissemination. 2 copies are being furnished to the Chicago and San Francisco Divisions and one copy each is being disseminated locally to Region II, 115th INTC, Pasadena, U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles, and U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles.

Sources used in enclosed LHM are as follows:

Source One [redacted]

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2 - Chicago (Encls: 2)(AM - REGISTERED)
2 - San Francisco (Encls: 2)(100-55900)(AM - REGISTERED)
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The LHM is being classified "Confidential" since information furnished by [redacted] who furnished information orally to SA [redacted] on [redacted] could reasonably result in identification of a confidential informant of continuing value and compromise effectiveness thereof.

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CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS: Will check indices on PAUL BOOTH and submit pertinent and subversive information in LHM suitable for dissemination.

SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA: Check indices on DONNA [redacted]UE HABER and submit pertinent and subversive information in a LHM suitable for dissemination.

Will closely follow and report pertinent details of protest march in LHM suitable for dissemination.

LOS ANGELES

AT BAKERSFIELD, VISALIA, FRESNO AND MERCED, CALIFORNIA: Will alert local police departments and other law enforcement agencies of details instant march and alert confidential sources to report any pertinent information immediately.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Los Angeles, California
March 14, 1966

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CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
MARCH 18, 1966, TO APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum dated March 11, 1966, at Los Angeles, California.

The following information was furnished by sources who have furnished reliable information in the past:

On March 10, 1966, Source One advised that after learning of an article in "Newsweek," a national magazine, concerning a proposed protest march from Delano to Sacramento, California, to be organized by the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), he personally asked Donna Sue Haber, Office Secretary for the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA), if such a march was being organized. Haber advised that she was unaware of such a march and even asked other officials of NFWA about it, but officials all denied any knowledge of the march. [redacted]

On March 10, 1966, [redacted] advised that he expected a large number of people in Delano for the Senate Sub-Committee on Migratory Farm Labor meeting at Delano on March 16, 1966, which meeting was scheduled to be held at the 700 capacity auditorium of the Delano High School. He said the Sub-Committee consisted

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of Chairman Harrison A. Williams (D - New Jersey), Senator George Murphy (R - California), Senators Robert F. Kennedy (D - New York), Edward M. Kennedy (D - Massachusetts), Gaylor D. Nelson (D - Wisconsin) and Winston Prouty (R - Vermont).

[redacted] advised that he had heard that Wendy Goepel NFWA Spokesman, had done some type of work for Senator Harrison Williams in the past and growers in the area were concerned that the Committee would be strictly on the side of NFWA, the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee and striking farm workers.

[redacted] advised that the above Senate Sub-Committee would meet at the Senate Office Building in Sacramento, California, on Monday, March 14, 1966; would be in Visalia, California, on March 15, 1966; and in Delano on March 16, 1966.

On March 10, 1966, Source Two advised that Paul Booth, Director of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), Chicago, Illinois, had been in Delano, California, for the past several days at the NFWA office. Source Two stated that it had been reported that the SDS group in Chicago planned to send large numbers of students to Delano during the summer of 1966 to assist the NFWA in their cause.

> In respect to SDS, it is noted that the Preamble of the SDS Constitution states "Students for a Democratic Society is an association of young people on the left...; one bringing together liberals and radicals, activists and scholars to put forth a radical, democratic program counterposed to authoritarian movements both of Communism and the domestic Right."
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> During the 1965 National Convention of the SDS, the Preamble of the Constitutuion was amended to eliminate "counterposed to authoritarian movements both of Communism and the domestic Right." The SDS is opposed to present American foreign policy in Vietnam.

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On March 14, 1966, Source Three advised that at a recent meeting of the Mexican - American Political Association (MAPA), a statement was made that the march from Delano to Sacramento, California, was definitely on and would start at 4:00 PM on March 16, 1966 right after the Senate Sub-Committee on Migratory Farm Labor left Delano. This source also advised that the news media was being told that the march was definitely off but that this was merely a ruse.

On March 14, 1966, [redacted], advised that representatives of the NFWA filed the following itinerary for their march from Delano to Sacramento, California, which would start at 9:00 AM on March 17, 1966:

Days of March	Date	Location of Each Stop	Cities to Pass Through
1	3/17/66	Ducor	Richgrove
2	3/18/66	Porterville	Terra Bella
3	3/19/66	Lindsay	Strathmore
4	3/20/66	Farmersville	Exeter
5	3/21/66	Visalia	———
6	3/22/66	Cutler	———
7	3/23/66	Parlier	Dinuba and Reedley
8	3/24/66	Malaga	Fowler
9	3/25/66	Highway City	Calwa and Fresno
10	3/26/66	Madera	Herndon
11	3/27/66	Chowchilla	———
12	3/28/66	Merced	———
13	3/29/66	Livingston	Atwater
14	3/30/66	Turlock	Delhi
15 & 16	3/31-4/1/66	Modesto (will pick up large number here to continue on to Sacramento)	Keyes and Ceres
17	4/2/66	Manteca	Ripon and Salida
18 & 19	4/3,4/66	Stockton	———
20	4/5/66	Lodi	———
21-24	4/6-9/66	Traveling from Lodi to Sacramento	———
25	4/10/66	Sacramento	———

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[redacted] advised that 50 to 60 marchers would begin the march and more delegations would be joining at various times en route to Sacramento. He said the marchers would have their meals at various homes at night and in the morning and on the road for lunch. He said this march was being called "Peregrinacion Route."

The line of march as set forth above was furnished to [redacted] Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena, by SA [redacted] at 2:45 PM, March 14, 1966.

Copies of this letterhead memorandum are being furnished to U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles, U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles, and Region II, for information and completion of their files.

Law enforcement agencies whose towns cover the line of march have been alerted.

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APPENDIX

W. E. B. DU BOIS CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO
aka Du Bois Youth Group, San Francisco
Du Bois Club, San Francisco Du Bois
Youth Group, Student-Labor Alliance

A source advised that on January 31, 1963, the W. E. B. Du Bois Club of San Francisco held its first general meeting at California Hall, Polk and Turk Streets, San Francisco, California. The aims of the Club were put forth as follows:

(1) alleviate the Negro problem in the U.S.

(2) promote peaceful co-existence between the U.S. and Russia

(3) promote and encourage Marxist doctrines and to bring about a socialistic government in the U.S.

This organization publishes a newsletter entitled, "San Francisco News & World Report". In its first issue, dated March 3, 1963, there was set forth a "Proposed Statement of Principles" in which the aforementioned aims were elaborated upon.

In this same issue of the "San Francisco News & World Report," the lead editorial in part describes the W. E. B. Du Bois Club of San Francisco as "...a group of young people who are convinced that Socialism is the only answer to the many problems of our time and so find philosophical rapport with the life and thought of Dr. Du Bois, nevertheless we are weighted with humility in comparing our goals and ambitions with the genius of his life and work. As a source is inspiration the figure of W. E. B. Du Bois is unequaled in American history, but as a standard and example, we seem miserably lost in his shadow. We can only resolve that we do his name no dishonor, and whatever we may accomplish should be recognized as a supplement to his life work."

The November 25, 1961, issue of the "People's World", a west coast communist newspaper published weekly in San Francisco, California, contains an article on page 12 reflecting that W. E. B. Du Bois joined the Communist Party after applying for admission on October 1, 1961.

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On May 10, 1963, the source informed that the "San Francisco News & World Report", although written and edited by members of the Club, is run off on a mimeograph machine located in the office of the "People's World".

This same source advised that as of May, 1963, the W. E. B. Du Bois Club of San Francisco has no permanent headquarters but the majority of its general meetings are held on Sunday afternoon at 307 Page Street, Apartment 3, San Francisco, California.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449) (P)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.

Re Los Angeles teletype to the Bureau dated 3/17/66.

The title of letterhead memorandum (LHM) attached has been changed to delete CORE as sponsor of march, since no definite information received that CORE is actually sponsoring same.

Submitted herewith for Bureau are original and seven copies of LHM suitable for dissemination. Two copies are being furnished San Francisco and one copy each is being designated locally to Region II, 115th INTC, Pasadena, USA, Los Angeles, U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles, ONI, Los Angeles, and OSI, Los Angeles.

The California Highway Patrol, Fresno, Tulare and Merced Counties Sheriff Offices and local police departments along the line of march have been alerted. Incidents and arrests, if any, will be followed and reported in form suitable for dissemination.

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SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA: Closely follow and report pertinent information of march in LHM suitable for dissemination.

LOS ANGELES

AT BAKERSFIELD, VISALIA, FRESNO AND MERCED, CALIFORNIA: Follow and report pertinent information regarding march in LHM suitable for dissemination.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California

March 17, 1966

MARCH SPONSORED BY NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION FROM DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA MARCH 17, 1966 TO APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum dated March 14, 1966 at Los Angeles, California, captioned "Proposed March Sponsored by Congress of Racial Equality, Delano to Sacramento, California, March 18, 1966 to April 10, 1966 - Information Concerning."

On March 17, 1966, [redacted] advised as follows:

The National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) sponsored march group gathered at NFWA Headquarters, 102 Albany, Delano, during the early morning of March 17, 1966. At approximately 9:00 a m , March 17, 1966, the group proceeded to the corner of Garces and Albany, Delano, where they conferred with officials of the Delano Police Department concerning a sudden change in the march route. NFWA spokesmen had originally notified police officials at Delano that they would be taking a route north of the downtown section of Delano

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while enroute to the Tulare - Kern County line; however, just before the march was to begin, they put the police department on notice to the effect that they would be marching directly through Main Street, Delano, the heart of the downtown section. After numerous discussions between NFWA and police department officials, authorization was granted for the march to proceed down Main Street. The march started at approximately 10:30 a.m., and continued across the Tulare - Kern County line to Ducor, California. There were approximately 100 persons involved at the beginning of the march, including men, women and small children. About seventy-five percent of the marchers were Mexican-Americans or Filipinos and the remainder Anglo-Caucasians, with two or three Negroes. The march group carried NFWA official flags and "Huelga" signs, sang, and shouted "Huelga", but otherwise were peaceful and orderly.

On March 17, 1966, [redacted] advised that the march had originally been delayed because of the change of plans of the march route by NFWA shortly before the march was to commence and because no city parade permit had been requested or issued.

On the afternoon of March 17, 1966, [redacted] advised that the marchers had crossed into Tulare County, California and that no incidents or arrests had occurred thus far. [redacted] said the affair was given publicity by all news media and will no doubt receive nationwide attention. He said the march is still to be conducted from Delano to Sacramento, with plans to arrive in Sacramento on April 10, 1966.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

RE: CHANGED:
COMINFIL, NATIONAL FARM
WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO,
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The caption on the letterhead memorandum has been reworded to read, "PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, March 18, 1966 - April 10, 1966, INFORMATION CONCERNING." It will be noted that Congress of Racial Equality has been deleted in the absence of any information reflecting CORE is sponsoring the march.

Re Los Angeles airtel and letterhead memorandum, dated 3/14/66.

Transmitted herewith for the Bureau are an original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination. Two copies are being furnished to the San Francisco Division and one copy each is being disseminated locally to Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena; U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles; U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; Office of Naval Intelligence; and Office of Special Investigations.

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LOS ANGELES

AT MERCED, CALIFORNIA. Will continue to closely follow and report pertinent details of the protest march in a form suitable for dissemination.

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SAN FRANCISCO

AT MODESTO, CALIFORNIA. Will closely follow and report pertinent details of the protest march in a form suitable for dissemination.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
March 28, 1966

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
March 18, 1966 - April 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum dated March 14, 1966, captioned, "PROPOSED MARCH SPONSORED BY CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 18, 1966, TO APRIL 10, 1966, INFORMATION CONCERNING."

On March 27, 1966, [redacted] advised he had received information from [redacted] National Farm Workers Association march, that the marchers traveled by cars from Chowchilla, California, to Merced, California, where they intend to remain through March 28, 1966. The sudden change of plans was occasioned by the absence of proper housing and eating facilities for the marchers in the Chowchilla, California, area. On Tuesday, March 29, 1966, the marchers will return to Chowchilla by car and will resume the march on foot, to arrive in Merced, California, during the evening hours of March 29, 1966.

[redacted] stated information had been received reflecting that approximately seventy-five marchers from the Salinas, California, area will arrive in Merced on March 28, 1966, and will join the approximately one-hundred individuals who are currently in the march. It is expected that approximately two-hundred additional individuals will join the marchers at Turlock, California, and another 200 will join the marchers at Modesto, California, and by the time the marchers reach Stockton,

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INFORMATION CONCERNING

California, there will be approximately fifteen-hundred in all. [redacted] noted that according to [redacted] the marchers will be joined by their largest group of individuals at Stockton, and it is expected that many of the new marchers will be from the San Francisco area.

[redacted] noted that on Wednesday, March 30, 1966, the marchers expect to be in Livingston, California, and on Thursday, March 31, 1966, expect to be in Turlock, California.

[redacted] anticipates approximately three-hundred of the marchers at a rally to be conducted in Merced on Monday night, March 28, 1966. He anticipates no trouble, even though he expects a number of the marchers to parade through local streets with candles, as they have been doing in cities they have passed through in the past.

[redacted] noted that thus far a majority of the marchers on the line of march have been housed in private residences and have had their evening and morning meals at places of lodging, whereas noon meals are held in parks along the line of march, with food being donated by various sympathizers. The marchers have a field kitchen for emergencies, as well as chemical toilets, and they are in possession of a car equipped with a two-way car radio, bearing the call number KFZ-478, as well as a car with a radio telephone, the number of which is not known. The marchers walk from 0730 to 1700 hours daily. There is generally a briefing at 0700 hours by the group captain on the spot where the march terminated the night before, at which time the line of march is carefully outlined to the marchers.

[redacted]

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PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
March 18, 1966 - April 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Copies of this letterhead memorandum are being furnished to the U. S. Attorney and U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles, as well as to Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena; Office of Special Investigations, Chcli Air Force Base, Maywood; and Office of Naval Intelligence, Los Angeles.

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FBI

Date: 4/1/66

Transmit the following in _____ (Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-55900)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL, NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA IS - C

Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau, 3/28/66.

Transmitted herewith for the Bureau are an original and seven (7) copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination. One copy is being furnished to the Los Angeles Office, and one copy each is being disseminated locally to the Army, Navy, and Air Force in San Francisco.

LEAD

SAN FRANCISCO

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.

AT STOCKTON AND SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA: Will closely follow and report pertinent details of the protest march in a form suitable for dissemination.

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3 - Bureau (Enc. 8) (RM)
1 - Los Angeles (Enc. 1) (RM) (Info)
3 - San Francisco
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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Francisco, California
April 1, 1966

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
MARCH 18, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On April 1, 1966, [redacted], advised that he has received information that the marchers arrived at Turlock, California, at approximately 4:00 p.m., March 31, 1966, as scheduled. They spent the night at Turlock, California, and no incidents occurred. They departed Turlock, California, at approximately 8:15 a.m., April 1, 1966, en route Modesto, California, and a stop at Ceres, California, was scheduled for approximately 1:00 p.m.

[redacted] advised that the marchers arrived at Modesto, California, at about 2:30 p.m., April 1, 1966, and a rally was scheduled to be conducted at Graceada Park at approximately 6:00 p.m. Upon arrival in Modesto, the Police Department refused issuance of permit for rally to marchers since Graceada Park was willed to City under stipulation that it be used only for cultural purposes and if otherwise used property would revert to estate of donor. The marchers are scheduled to spend the night in private residences and are scheduled to depart Modesto at approximately 8:30 a.m., April 2, 1966, en route Manteca, California, where they are scheduled to arrive at approximately 4:00 p.m.

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ENCLOSURE

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - DeLoach
1 - Sullivan
1 - [redacted]

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: April 5, 1966

FROM : C. D. DeLOACH

SUBJECT: [redacted]

SCHENLEY INDUSTRIES, INC.
INFORMATION RE COMMUNISM

[redacted]

[redacted] told me that his company has undergone a very provoking experience within the past several weeks. He stated that several people working under the guise of the National Farm Workers Association, have encouraged the Bartenders Association to boycott Schenley products. [redacted] feels that these people are receiving money from Walter Reuther, however, he has no proof of this fact.

[redacted] stated that Harold Draper and Saul David Alinsky are professional agitators and possibly obeying instructions of the Communist Party. He stated that Alinsky is a personal friend of Walter Reuther's. Alinsky is reportedly quite friendly with an individual named Chabez. Chabez is of Mexican descent, however, he was born in Arizona. Alinsky recently wrote a book entitled "Reveille for Radicals." Alinsky is receiving support also from a Father Vizzard who, according to [redacted] is also a radical.

[redacted] indicated he was advising the FBI of the above facts to let us know that the Communist Party had moved into private industry. I thanked him for his information.

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MEMO: DeLOACH TO TOLSON
RE: [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

ACTION:

None. This memo should be forwarded to the Domestic Intelligence Division for information.

FBI

Date: 4/4/66

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)

SUBJECT: MARCH SPONSORED BY CHICAGO CITIZENS' COMMITTEE TO AID DELANO FARM WORKERS IN SUPPORT OF PILGRIMAGE OF MEXICAN-AMERICAN FARM WORKERS FROM DELANO, CALIFORNIA, TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, 4/3/66
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to Los Angeles airtel to Bureau dated 3/14/66, captioned, "COMINFIL, National Farm Workers Association, Delano, California, IS - C."

Enclosed are eight copies of a self-explanatory LHM regarding captioned matter.

Indices of the Chicago Office reflect no information identifiable with the Chicago Citizens' Committee to Aid Delano Farm Workers or the Cardinal's Committee for the Spanish Speaking.

The following individuals advised they had no knowledge of the 4/3/66, demonstration other than information that appeared in the "Chicago Sun Times," which is set forth in the enclosed LHM:

[redacted]

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2 - ENCLOSURE

(3) - Bureau (Encs. 8) (RM)
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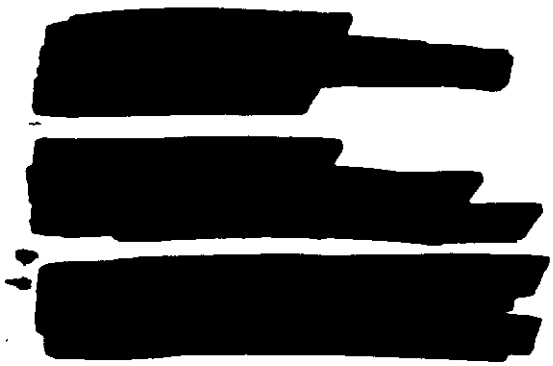
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Special Agent in Charge

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A copy of the LHM is being furnished to the United States Attorney, U.S. Secret Service and 113th INTC Group, Region I, all Chicago, Illinois. Also, copies of the LHM are being furnished to San Francisco and Los Angeles in view of their interest in this matter.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois
April 4, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-42662

MARCH SPONSORED BY CHICAGO
CITIZENS' COMMITTEE TO AID
DELANO FARM WORKERS IN SUPPORT
OF PILGRIMAGE OF MEXICAN-AMERICAN
FARM WORKERS FROM DELANO, CALIFORNIA,
TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, CHICAGO,
ILLINOIS, APRIL 3, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

The "Chicago Sun Times," a Chicago area daily newspaper issue of April 4, 1966, page 27, reported that on April 3, 1966, more than 250 persons paraded on the near west side of Chicago in a demonstration of support for migrant farm laborers on strike at Delano, California.

The march began at St. Francis Assisi Church, 813 West Roosevelt, and wound through Mexican-American and Puerto Rican neighborhoods to St. Pius Church, 1909 South Ashland.

Bearing placards reading "Huelga!" (strike) and "Farm Workers Demand Bargaining Rights," the demonstrators sang litanies as they trooped down the sidewalks.

They were demonstrating sympathy for a band of grape pickers who are making a 300 mile pilgrimage from Delano to Sacramento, California, according to the Rev. Donald Headly, director of the Cardinal's Committee for the Spanish Speaking. The committee organized the march for the Chicago Citizens' Committee to Aid Delano Farm Workers.

On April 4, 1966, [redacted], advised that the above march was an annual "sidewalk parade" of Spanish speaking Americans who marched between churches in connection with Holy Week. He stated that in connection with the "sidewalk parade" the marchers were expressing sympathy with persons of similar background who were marching from Delano to Sacramento, California.

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MARCH SPONSORED BY CHICAGO
CITIZENS' COMMITTEE TO AID
DELANO FARM WORKERS IN SUPPORT
OF PILGRIMAGE OF MEXICAN-AMERICAN
FARM WORKERS FROM DELANO, CALIFORNIA,
TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, CHICAGO,
ILLINOIS, APRIL 3, 1966

[redacted] stated that the Chicago Citizens' Committee to Aid Delano Farm Workers was unfamiliar to him but it would appear that the name was being utilized only in connection with the April 3, 1966 parade.

The above information has been furnished to the United States Attorney, United States Secret Service and 113th INTC Group, Region I, all Chicago, Illinois.

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Dear Sir:

[redacted]

Neil Richards
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Howard Schomer
World Issues
212-870-2186

I have been appalled by the reports of violence by the Teamsters against the picketing United Farm Workers in the Coachella Valley in California. I encourage you to do all that you can in your new job to ensure that the Farm Workers are protected in their right to strike, and that violence does not win the day.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]

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FBI

Date: 4/5/66

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION

RE: COMINFIL, NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA
IS-C

Re Los Angeles airtel and letterhead memorandum captioned as above, dated 3/28/66.

Transmitted herewith for the Bureau are an original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination, two copies of which are being furnished to the San Francisco Division and one copy each for Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena; U. S. Attorney and U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; Office of Naval Intelligence and Office of Special Investigations. Information copies are being furnished to San Francisco inasmuch as the marchers are currently reported to be in that area.

The foregoing was orally furnished to U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles, and Region II, U. S. Army, Pasadena, by SA [redacted] on 4/5/66 in view of the fact that General DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER is presently residing at El Dorado Country Club, Palm Desert, California.

The source utilized in the letterhead memorandum is [redacted]

X The letterhead memorandum is not being classified "confidential" since the information came from a radio broadcast.

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2 - San Francisco (Encls.-2)(AM-REGISTERED)
2 - Los Angeles

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Special Agent in Charge

The Riverside County Sheriff's Office; Riverside, California, Police Department; and the Palm Springs, California, Police Department are fully cognizant of the plans for the proposed march.

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LOS ANGELES DIVISION

AT RIVERSIDE-PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA. Will maintain contact with local law enforcement agencies in Riverside and Palm Springs, California, and will report any arrests or incidents that might occur as a result of this march, in a form suitable for dissemination.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
April 5, 1966

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
MARCH 17, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum dated March 28, 1966.

On March 25, 1966, [redacted], advised that members of the Delano-Sacramento march, sponsored by the National Farm Workers Association, paraded in downtown Fresno, California, on March 25, 1966, and met briefly with Mayor Floyd H. Hyde on the steps of the City Hall. More than 1000 persons attended a rally on the evening of March 25th at the Azteca Theater, West Fresno, a movie house which features Spanish-speaking films. After the rally, Caesar Chavez expressed disappointment upon receiving the news that Governor Edmund G. Brown, Governor of the State of California, planned to be vacationing in Palm Springs, California, when the marchers arrived in Sacramento on Easter Sunday, April 10, 1966. Chavez, when told the Governor had stated he planned to "pay his respects" to the marchers along their route to the Capitol, stated, "We're not interested in respects....We're interested in action."

On April 5, 1966, "The Daily Enterprise," a Riverside, California, publication, reported that Governor Edmund G."Pat" Brown has been asked to meet with some 500 supporters of striking Delano grape workers in Palm Springs on Easter Sunday, on the grounds of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. According to the article, Brown was not available for immediate comment.

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The article continued that the invitation was telegraphed to Governor Brown by leaders of a group that have plans to hold a mile-long parade down Palm Canyon Drive in Palm Springs, in protest of the Governor's refusal to make himself available on Easter to the strikers en route to Sacramento, California.

The group, identified as the Riverside County Committee in Support of the Delano Grape Strikers, said they planned to ask the Governor to back establishment of a state minimum wage law. Joe Aguilar, identified as Co-Chairman of the newly-formed committee, is quoted as saying, "What he is being asked to do is simply acknowledge the strike and give support and encouragement for a minimum wage." Aguilar is a school leader and holds elective public office as a member of the Riverside City College Board of Trustees.

The parade is scheduled to begin at 2:30, Easter Sunday afternoon, and has a route to the downtown area of Palm Springs, California.

Aguilar, according to the article, said that some 300 persons have already enlisted for the march and will include people of various religious faiths, students and faculty members from the University of California at Riverside. He also said that the signs to be carried will be subject to approval by group leaders because "we don't want anything that would be off-color or offensive."

Aguilar also is quoted as saying, "We are ready to move into Riverside and Imperial Counties and urge a general strike if the disputes cannot be settled.

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
MARCH 17, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

The article identified members of the committee as being Arthur Jurado, Vice-President of Palm Springs Mexican Colony Club; Dr. Eugene Cota-Robles, University of California at Riverside Professor; and Douglas Boyes, University of California at Riverside student.

On April 5, 1966, a confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on the morning of April 5, 1966, a man appeared on the Joe Pyne Radio Program on Station KLAC, Los Angeles, stating that a march is being planned, originating at Ninth and Park Streets in Riverside, California, to proceed to Palm Springs, California. He stated that since Governor Brown will not be in Sacramento on Easter Sunday, but will be in Palm Springs, a group of approximately one-thousand participants will march to Palm Springs in sympathy with the Delano-Sacramento marchers. He stated that the group expects many nuns and priests to participate in the march.

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished to Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena; U. S. Attorney and U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; Office of Special Investigations and Office of Naval Intelligence for information and completion of their files.

The records of the Los Angeles Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation contain no information identifiable with the members of the Riverside County Committee in Support of the Delano Grape Strikers.

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FBI

Date: 4/4/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-55900)

RE: COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
IS - C

[redacted]

Enclosed herewith are 8 copies of LHM relating to above organization. Copies have been designated locally to the Army, Navy and Air Force.

ENCLOSURE

3 - Bureau (ENCLS. 8) (AM REG.)
1 - Los Angeles (100-67449) (AM REG.)
2 - San Francisco
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
San Francisco, California
April 4, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

SF 100-55900

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 18, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted] advised April 1, 1966 that 135 persons marched from Graceada Park, Modesto, to Cannery Workers Local 748, Modesto, where a rally was held on the evening of April 1, 1966 in the auditorium of that local. After attending church on the morning of April 2, 1966, the marchers continued en route San Joaquin County, California.

[redacted] advised that present in Graceada Park and at the rally was one TERRY CANNON who identified himself as a member of the Student Committee for Non-Violent Action, Berkeley, California, and who advised him that he was acting as publicity chairman for the march.

On April 4, 1966, [redacted] advised that the marchers departed Modesto, California, at about 9:00 a.m., April 2, 1966 and there were approximately 200 marchers when the group left Modesto, California. [redacted] advised that there were no difficulties encountered in connection with the marchers appearance in Modesto, California, after the matter relative to relocating the site of their rally had been resolved.

On April 2, 1966, [redacted] advised that the marchers arrived in Manteca this date at approximately 4:00 p.m. They spent the night at Manteca and no incidents occurred. They departed Manteca at 10:00 a.m. on April 3, 1966.

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RE: PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY NATIONAL
FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 18, 1966
- APRIL 10, 1966

[redacted] advised that on April 4, 1966 the marchers arrived at Stockton at 3:30 p.m., April 3, 1966. They proceeded to St. Linus' Catholic Church and St. Mary's Catholic Church. A rally was held at 5:30 p.m., on April 3, 1966 in Washington Park across the street from St. Mary's Church. The marchers are taking Monday off and will be guests at a picnic sponsored by the Filipino community of Stockton. They are scheduled to depart Stockton at 8:00 a.m., April 5, 1966 for Lodi, California, en route to Sacramento.

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FBI

Date: 4/7/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED (Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-55900)

RE : COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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[redacted]

ReSan Francisco airtel 4/5/66.

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LEAD:

THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE:

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AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Will closely follow and report pertinent details of the protest march in a form suitable for dissemination.

3 - Bureau (ENCLS. 8) (AM REG.)
1 - Los Angeles (ENCLS. 1) (AM REG.)
1 - San Francisco

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Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Francisco, California
April 7, 1966

SF 100-55900

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 18, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to San Francisco memorandum dated April 5, 1966.

[redacted] furnished the following information on April 7, 1966:

The marchers left Stockton, California, at 9:00 a.m. on April 5, 1966 and arrived at Lodi, California, at 3:00 p.m. The marchers spent the night at Lodi, where they held a rally. They left Lodi at 9:30 a.m. on April 6, 1966 and arrived at Thornton, California, at 2:30 p.m., where they spent the night. At 10:00 a.m., April 7, 1966, the marchers left Thornton and were headed toward Hood, California, where they will stay overnight. They are scheduled to go from Hood to Freeport, California, for an overnight stay on April 8, 1966, then to West Sacramento on April 9, 1966 and then to arrive in Sacramento to see the Governor on Easter Sunday, April 10, 1966.

[redacted] advised that there have been no incidents.

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FBI

Date: 4/8/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (REGISTERED) (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449) (P)

RE: COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
Delano, California
IS - C

[redacted]

OO: Los Angeles

Re Los Angeles airtel and letterhead memorandum (LHM) captioned as above dated 4/5/66.

Submitted herewith for the Bureau are the original and seven copies of a LHM suitable for dissemination, one copy each for Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena; U. S. Attorney and U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; Office of Naval Intelligence and Office of Special Investigations.

Riverside County Sheriff's Office, Riverside, California Police Department and Palm Springs, California Police Department are fully cognizant of the plans of the proposed march.

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LOS ANGELES

AT RIVERSIDE AND PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA: Will maintain contact with local law enforcement agencies and will report any arrests or incidents that might occur as a result of this march in a form suitable for dissemination.

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Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California
April 8, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

PROTEST MARCH PROPOSED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA
MARCH 17, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum dated April 5, 1966.

On April 8, 1966, Gilbert Padilla, Vice-President of the National Farm Workers Union, advised the local Palm Springs newspaper that support of the striking Delano grape workers had a route for the protest march they will hold in Palm Springs, California, on Sunday afternoon. The march will be organized at Ruth Hardy Park and will return there for disbandment.

According to Padilla the new route and the choice of the park as an organization point was made necessary when Reverend Thomas J. Flahive, Pastor of the Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church refused use of church grounds. He said marchers will gather at Hardy Park at 2:00 p. m. Sunday, April 10, 1966, and the parade will begin thirty minutes later. The route will be west on Tamarisk to Palm Canyon then south to Arenas where marchers will turn north again and retrace their steps to the park.

[redacted] advised on April 8, 1966, that the marchers do not need a permit since they intend to march on the sidewalk which will not obstruct traffic.

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PROTEST MARCH PROPOSED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA
MARCH 17, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

According to the April 8, 1966, issue of the Press Enterprise Newspaper the protest march was first organized by the Riverside County Committee in support of the Delano grape strikers after it was announced by Governor Edmund G. Brown he would not meet Easter Sunday in Sacramento with paraders there.

Instead his aids announced he would spend the Easter week end with his family at Frank Sinatra's Tamarisk Country Club home in Palm Springs.

Since then Governor Brown has agreed to meet the strikers in Sacramento but the Palm Springs parade will be started nevertheless as a gesture of sympathy with the strikers in Delano.

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished to Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena; U. S. Attorney and U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; Office of Special Investigations and Office of Naval Intelligence for information and completion of their files.

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FBI

Date: 4/11/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

RE: COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
IS - C

Re Los Angeles airtel and letterhead memorandum captioned as above dated 4/8/66.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
April 11, 1966

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS
ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA
March 17, 1966 to April 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum dated April 8, 1966.

On April 11, 1966, [redacted] advised that the parade was conducted in Palm Springs, California, by a group in sympathy with the Delano grape strikers. The parade was conducted in a peaceful and orderly manner and no incidents occurred.

The Daily Enterprise, a newspaper for Riverside County, in an article dated April 11, 1966, set forth in part that following an orderly parade of some 300 persons through downtown Palm Springs yesterday, leaders of the "Committee to Support the Delano Grape Strikers" pledged to keep their group alive to aid the farm workers in California. The march did not attract any large number of onlookers despite its wide publicity over the past week. Little girls in starched Easter dresses solemnly paraded carrying signs that read, "Away With Farm Slavery." The marchers did not meet with Governor Edmund Brown, who was spending the day in Palm Springs with his family at the Frank Sinatra residence, but they did not expect to.

Following the wind-blown parade over a mile or so along Palm Canyon Drive, the marchers returned to Hardy Park, the organizational point, whereleaders of the committee called upon participants to continue their efforts in behalf of the farm workers.

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PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA
MARCH 17, 1966 TO APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished to Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena; United States Attorney and U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; Office of Special Investigations and Office of Naval Intelligence, for information and completion of their files.

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Schenley Industries, Inc.

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. DeLoach
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Wick
Mr. Casper
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. Felt
Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
Tele. Room
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

[redacted]

April 11, 1966

[redacted]

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Last Wednesday night, April 6, the radio carried the announcement that Schenley Industries agreed to recognize the National Farm Workers Association, and that an agreement had been executed with Cesar Chavez, head of the union, and Sidney Korshak, "attorney for Schenley."

I know that inevitably questions will come up in the Bureau regarding the union and any participation that I might have had in this matter. For your personal information I had no knowledge of the agreement, nor of the negotiations. I was not consulted; I did not approve the agreement, nor was I informed of the developments. In fact I have never met Sidney Korshak who is well known to the Bureau.

Naturally, the "die" is now cast and there is no other alternative but to close the ranks and make the most of the situation.

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With best wishes and kind regards.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

APR 20 1966 Let me have summary on Union & Korshak.

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APR 25 1966

April 15, 1966

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Schenley Industries, Inc.
1290 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10019

Dear Nick:

Thank you for your letter of April 11th concerning the agreement between Schenley Industries and the National Farm Workers Association. Your thoughtfulness in apprising me regarding this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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APR 15 1966
COMM-FBI

1 - Mr. DeLoach (sent with cover memo)
1 - Mr. Wick (sent with cover memo)
1 - Mr. Rosen (sent with cover memo)
1 - Mr. Sullivan (sent with cover memo)
1 - Mr. Morrell (sent with cover memo)

NOTE: See Jones to Wick memorandum dated 4-14-66 captioned "National Farm Workers Association."

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Mr. Wick 4/14/66

M. A. Jones

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

SYNOPSIS

[redacted] wrote the Director on 4/11/66 concerning the labor agreement executed by Cesar Chavez for the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) and Sidney Korshak, Attorney for Schenley Industries, Inc. The Director has requested a summary on NFWA and Korshak.

NFWA first came to our attention in October, 1965, when [redacted] contacted the Bureau to express concern over an announcement that the Office of Economic Opportunity had granted this union $267,887 to use in a self-help project regarding migrant workers in California. Our Los Angeles Office advised on 10/20/65 that NFWA was a local independent union which had become affiliated with the [redacted] since September, 1965. It was reportedly organized for the purpose of supporting migrant farmers and grape pickers in their strike in Delano, California.

Its alleged purpose was to improve the wages and living conditions of the migrant farm worker in this part of California and has its offices at 102 Albany Street, Delano, California.

We have conducted limited inquiries concerning NFWA and our information indicates it is not controlled or guided by the communists but that several alleged members have extremely liberal views and that CP members or sympathizers have furnished support to NFWA in its conflict with the grape growers.

Enclosure

1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Wick - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Cale - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Rosen - Enclosure
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M. A. Jones to Wick Memo
RE: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

César E. Chavez, founder and director of NFWA, was formerly a recruiter for the Community Service Organization (CSO), at San Jose, California. CSO is a war on poverty type organization. He has openly been called a communist but our sources do not have any definite information in this regard even though he reportedly associates with left-wing type individuals and has been known to distribute copies of People's World, a west coast communist newspaper.

Information concerning the NFWA activities of Wendy Goepel, Harvey Richards, David Ward Ravens and Dolores Clara Harris, is set out in Details, [redacted]

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RECOMMENDATION:

That attached letter be sent to [redacted]

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M. A. Jones to Sack Memo
RE: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

DETAILS

BACKGROUND:

By letter of 4-11-66, [redacted] referred to radio announcements indicating that Schenley Industries, Inc., agreed to recognize the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) and that this agreement had been executed with Cesar Chavez, representing NFWA, and Sidney Korshak, attorney for Schenley. The Director has requested a summary on NFWA and Korshak.

INFORMATION IN BUFILES:

Our files reveal that the NFWA first came to our attention in October, 1965, when [redacted] contacted the Bureau to advise that [redacted] was concerned over an announcement that the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) had granted this union $267,887 to use in a self-help project to teach migrant workers in Kern, Kings and Tulare counties of California citizenship and money management. Since our files contained no record identifiable with this union, we requested our Los Angeles Office to furnish information available to them regarding NFWA.

Our Los Angeles Office advised on 10-20-65 that NFWA was a local independent union which reportedly had only become affiliated with AFL-CIO since September, 1965. Allegedly this affiliation was only for the purpose of supporting the migrant farmers and grape pickers strike in Delano, California. It was further reported that the NFWA was led by a Cesar E. Chavez and the purpose of this union was supposedly to improve the wages and living conditions of the migrant farm worker in this part of California. This union claims it is an independent organization with offices at 102 Albany Street, Delano, California.

We have conducted limited inquiries concerning NFWA for the purpose of determining whether it has been infiltrated or controlled by the communists. Our information indicates that it is not controlled or guided by the communists but that several individuals that are allegedly members of this

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organization have extremely liberal views. It has also been determined that various known Communist Party (CP) members or sympathizers have furnished support to the NFWA in connection with its conflict with the grape growers in this part of California.

Cesar E. Chavez: - Summary

Cesar E. Chavez has been described as the founder and Director of the NFWA. He reportedly was born on 1-31-27, possibly at Delano, California. He resided at 1221 Kensington Street, Delano, California, and has spent about 14 years in the San Jose, California, area prior to 1963 as a recruiter for the Community Service Organization (CSO) at San Jose. CSO is a "war on poverty" type organization. Chavez refuses to answer any questionnaires directed at him by Credit Bureaus or similar organizations. He has openly been called a communist at Delano City Council meetings; however, our sources do not possess any definite information in this regard even though Chavez reportedly associates with "left-wing" type individuals and allegedly has been known to distribute copies of "People's World," a west coast communist newspaper, free of charge.

Chavez publishes and sells a paper called "El Malcriado" which is described as the voice of the farm worker and the official voice of the NFWA. Chavez has reportedly stated that he desires to open general stores in the San Joaquin Valley to sell "commodities to farm workers at discount prices" and to therefore create a boycott of local businesses. He allegedly has also started a credit union for the farm workers who are members of the NFWA. One of our sources has stated the opinion that Chavez is not altogether sincere in his desire to assist migrant workers but rather is interested in making a name for himself and to gain financially. It was also reported that the $267,887 grant approved by OEO for NFWA has aroused considerable public opinion against it.

In addition to Chavez, we have learned that Wendy Goepel, Harvey Richards, David Havens and Dolores Huerta are involved in NFWA activities.

Wendy Goepel:

Summary

Wendy Goepel is apparently identical with Wendy Pangburn Goepel [redacted] who reportedly was considering attending the Eighth World Youth Festival in Helsinki, Finland, in 1962 along with other Stanford University students. There is no indication that she did attend.

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M. A. Jones to Wick Memo
RE: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

Harvey Richards:

Harvey Richards' association with NFWA activities was reported to be limited to taking various photographs in connection with NFWA's labor dispute with the grape pickers. [redacted]

David Ward Havens:

David Ward Havens, a white male, born 12-17-35 and who resided at Visalia, California, in October, 1965, listed his employment as being with the National Council of Churches and an active member of the California Migrant Farm Ministry, a subsidiary of the National Council of Churches. During May, 1965, Havens participated in a farm workers' strike in Delano along with Chavez. In addition to being an advisor of the NFWA, he also participated in their picketing activities.

Dolores Clara Huerta:

Dolores Clara Huerta, also known as Dolores Clara Fernandez, a Mexican female, was born on 4-10-30 and resides at Delano, California. She is the Vice-President of NFWA and has no other employment listed. She has been active in the Delano area for several years and is reported as the driving force on the picket lines of NFWA. Huerta was the individual who traveled to Washington, D. C., on behalf of Chavez and NFWA for the purpose of obtaining the grant from OEO.

Information coming to our attention from various confidential sources of our Los Angeles Office indicates that various CP members or sympathizers such as [redacted] have expressed sympathy and support of the activities of the NFWA in this labor dispute. It has also been learned that this "sympathy" was being reflected in the form of monetary contributions as well as food and clothing collections for members of the NFWA participating as pickets.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED (Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-55900)

RE : COMINFIL, NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA IS - C

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ReSan Francisco airtel to the Bureau dated 4/1/66

Submitted herewith for the Bureau are 8 copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination. One copy is furnished to the Los Angeles Office and one copy is disseminated locally to the Army, Navy and Air Force in San Francisco.

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CC TO: [illegible]
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ANS. BY: [illegible]

C. C. Wick

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
San Francisco, California
April 13, 1966

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PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS
ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
MARCH 18, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted] advised April 9, 1966 that the marchers arrived in West Sacramento, California, on April 9, 1966 ending a 25 day, 300 mile march from Delano, California, demonstrating a demand for recognitio of their union. 1500 strikers and sympathizers took part in an evening rally, April 9, 1966, held at Our Lady of Grace School, West Sacramento, across the river from their final destination, the State Capitol grounds, Sacramento. [redacted] advised that the rally was peaceful and no incidents occurred. Officers from the Californi Highway Patrol, Yolo County Sheriff's Office (West Sacramento) and the Sacramento Police Department were present during the rally and officers from the Highway Patrol remained nearby all night.

[redacted] advised that at 1:30 p.m., April 10, 1966, approximately 1000 marchers and supporters marched to the Capitol Grounds, Sacramento, from West Sacramento, a distance of one mile. Approximately 6000 persons greeted the marchers upon their arrival a the Capitol Grounds. The marchers demanded the appearance of Govern EDMUND BROWN, who was not available in Sacramento and had advised th prior to April 10, 1966 that he would grant them an audience on April 9, 1966 or April 11, 1966 but would not be available on Easter Sunday It was announced to the crowd that Governor BROWN was being picketed at the home of actor-singer, FRANK SINATRA in Palm Springs, Californi

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RE: PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, 3/18/66 - 4/10/56 - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reverend WAYNE C. HARTMIRE of the migrant missions of Northern California, California State Assemblyman PHIL SOTO, and CESAR CHAVEZ, Executive Director, National Farm Workers Association, delivered the principal addresses from the steps of the State Capitol building.

[redacted] advised that the gathering on the Capitol grounds was peaceful in nature and no incidents of a violent nature occurred. The meeting ended at approximately 4:00 p.m. The Sacramento Police Department and California State Police were present during the entire meeting.

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Date: 4/25/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED (Priority)

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)(P)

RE COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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Transmitted herewith for the Bureau are an original and seven copies of LHM. One copy of LHM is also being designated locally to Region II, 115th INTC, U.S. Army, Pasadena; U.S. Attorney, Los Angeles; U.S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; Office of Naval Intelligence; and Office of Special Investigations.

Source utilized in enclosed LHM was [redacted] who received the information confidentially.

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Los Angeles, California
April 25, 1966

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF
THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS
ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On April 22, 1966, a source advised he had received information to the effect that officials and associates of the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) in the future were planning ways to discredit law enforcement agencies in localities effected by the farm labor strike. In the past NFWA has prepared publicity in advance of marches and large picket lines, with a view toward being arrested for offenses such as not having a parade permit or trespassing on private property. This source expects that NFWA will very shortly attempt to file civil rights complaints with the U.S. Department of Justice and state authorities. Source predicted that violations of law would be planned by NFWA, and carried through, with a view toward causing situations with law enforcement agencies which could be twisted into civil rights matter at a later date.

An article appearing in the April 22, 1966 issue of the "Los Angeles Times", a daily newspaper published in Los Angeles, California, revealed that on the previous Wednesday, NFWA Director Cesar Chavez and his aides met secretly with Vice President of the Di Giorgio Corporation Bruce W. Sanborn, Jr. in Fresno in an effort to work out differences over a company proposal to have an election to determine if the farm workers wanted to be represented by the union. This article went on to state as follows:

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